

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3 and 4 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as anticipated by Beller. Applicant has amended claims 1, 3 and 4, but otherwise respectfully traverses the rejection.

Beller discloses recording of dataforms in RF tags, but does so in the background section, the remainder of the disclosure focusing on barcode labels. As such, Beller fails to disclose all elements of the claims. For example, with respect to claim 1, Beller fails to disclose

interrogating a radio frequency product label on a product returned to a store by a radio frequency product label interrogator controlled by a computer;
identifying the product from information obtained from a memory of the radio frequency product label by the computer;

With respect to claim 3, Beller fails to disclose

activating a radio frequency product label on a product returned to a store by a computer;
interrogating the radio frequency product label by a radio frequency product label interrogator controlled by the computer;
identifying the product from information obtained from a memory of the radio frequency product label by the computer;

With respect to claim 4, Beller fails to disclose

a radio frequency product label interrogator which obtains identification information from the memory of the radio frequency product label; and

a computer which controls the radio frequency product label interrogator, ...

Claims 2 and 5 stand rejected under 35 USC §103(a).

Applicant has amended claims 2 and 5 to further distinguish over the cited references.

With respect to claim 2, neither discloses

interrogating a radio frequency product label on a product returned to a store by a radio frequency product label interrogator controlled by a computer;

identifying the product from information obtained from a memory of the radio frequency product label by the computer;

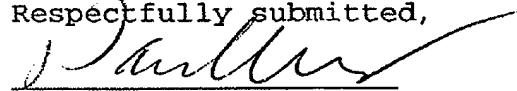
With respect to claim 5, neither discloses

a radio frequency product label interrogator which obtains identification information from the memory of the radio frequency product label; and

a computer which controls the radio frequency product label interrogator, ...

Applicant now respectfully requests that the pending claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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